



Docket No.: 048864-0030

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277
Katsuaki TAJIMA, et al. : Confirmation Number: 9740
Application No.: 09/656,440 : Group Art Unit: 2624
Filed: September 06, 2000 : Examiner: Thierry L. Pham
For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated September 21, 2005, now due to expire December 21, 2005, be extended for one month and set to expire on January 21, 2006.

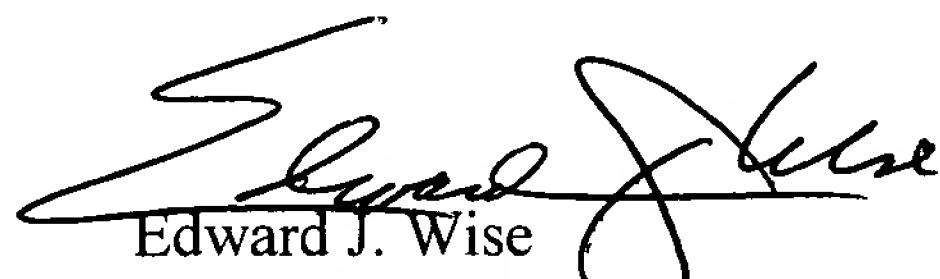
Please charge the extension fee of \$120.00 to Deposit Account No. 500417. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.

Respectfully submitted,

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